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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

Provisional agenda

1. Election of the Bureau.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

3. Basic programme of work of the Council:

   (a) Implementation of Council resolutions 1988/77 and 1989/114;

   (b) Proposals on the basic programme of work of the Council for 1990 and 1991.

4. Elections and appointments to subsidiary bodies of the Council, and confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions.

5. Provisional agenda for the first regular session of 1990 and related organizational matters.

Annotations

Item 1. Election of the Bureau

1. Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that each year, at the commencement of its first meeting, the Council shall elect a President and four Vice-Presidents from among the representatives of its members. The membership of the Council in 1990 is given in annex I below. According to the rotation of the office of President among the regional groups, the President for 1990 should be the representative of an Asian State. The four Vice-Presidents of the Council shall be elected on the basis of equitable geographical distribution from the other four regional groups.

2. The President and the Vice-Presidents shall constitute the Bureau. The Council, upon the recommendation of the President, shall decide on the special responsibilities of each Vice-President.

3. Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77, a meeting of the Council will be convened on 17 January 1990 for the election of the Bureau.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

4. Rule 13 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that, at the beginning of each session, after the election of the Bureau when required under rule 18, the Council shall adopt the agenda for the session. The present provisional agenda has been prepared in conformity with the relevant legislative decisions.

5. In addition to adopting the agenda, the Council may wish to consider under this item the questions set out below.

Relationship between economic and social factors in the growth and development process

6. By its resolution 1989/113, the Council, having considered the World Economic Survey 1989 and the views expressed during the general discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments, at its second regular session of 1989, decided that at its organizational session for 1990 the Council should recommend the modalities by which it would address the relationship between economic and social factors in the growth and development process, taking into account the balanced treatment that should be given to those factors.

Annual policy review of operational activities for development

7. By its decision 1989/186, the Council, recalling its resolution 1988/77, in particular paragraph 2 (d) on operational activities, decided:

(a) To consider at its organizational session for 1990 arrangements to ensure that it would be able to undertake its annual consideration of operational

activities for development in a focused and co-ordinated manner, with the necessary documentation available in accordance with the established procedures;

(b) To request the President of the Economic and Social Council for 1990 to hold informal consultations with members of the Council to that end prior to the organizational session for 1990.

Dates of the eighth session of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

8. The eighth session of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting is scheduled to be convened at Headquarters from 5 to 16 March 1990. The Secretariat has been informed that some members of the Working Group would have difficulty in attending the session on those dates and it is accordingly proposed that the session be held from 13 to 23 March 1990.

Item 3. Basic programme of work of the Council

9. In accordance with rule 8 of the rules of procedure of the Council, the Council shall draw up, at its organizational session, with the assistance of the Secretary-General, its basic programme of work.

(a) Implementation of Council resolutions 1988/77 and 1989/114

10. In accordance with Council resolution 1989/114 on further measures for the implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, and other decisions taken at the second regular session of 1989, the Council will be required to address a number of issues, including the selection of major policy themes, which will have a bearing on the basic programme of work.

Selection of major policy themes

11. In resolution 1989/114, section I, the Council decided to consider at its organizational session for 1990 the establishment, on a provisional basis, of a multi-year work programme identifying major policy themes for in-depth consideration each year in accordance with paragraphs 2 (a) (ii), 2 (a) (iii) and 2 (e) (iii) of Council resolution 1988/77, in order to enable the Council, under the authority of the General Assembly, to exercise effectively its functions and powers as set out in the Charter of the United Nations and relevant resolutions of the Assembly and the Council, and decided that the thematic analyses referred to in paragraphs 2 (a) (ii) and 2 (e) (iii) of Council resolution 1988/77 should replace the present cross-organizational programme analyses as from 1991. The Council will have before it a draft six-year work programme on major policy themes in the economic and social sectors, including modalities for the in-depth discussions on major policy themes, possibly in a high-level segment of the Council.

Review of documentation submitted to the Council

12. In resolution 1989/114, section II, the Council, inter alia, took note with appreciation of the report made by the Chairman of the open-ended task force on documentation (see E/1989/SR.31) established by the Council in its decision 1989/105, and requested the task force to continue its work with a view to submitting concrete recommendations to the Council at its organizational session for 1990, taking duly into account the relevant provisions of the resolution.

Format of the report of the Council to the General Assembly

13. Also in resolution 1989/114, section II, the Council decided to consider at its organizational session for 1990 the proposed format of the report of the Council to the General Assembly. The draft format of the report, which was before the Council at its second regular session of 1989 in the report of the Secretary-General on the revitalization of the Council (E/1989/95, annex IV), is reproduced as annex II below.

Organization of work

14. In resolution 1989/114, section III, the Council decided that the sessional committees should not begin their substantive work until the conclusion of the general discussion and that, to the extent possible, those committees should devote more time to a constructive dialogue on the agenda items under consideration, with the active participation of representatives of the organizations of the United Nations system concerned, and decided to consider at its organizational session for 1990 modalities for implementing those arrangements, taking into account the need to ensure that its sessions were not prolonged. It will be recalled that, in the same resolution, the Council decided that the general discussion should not exceed four days and that statements made should not exceed 15 minutes in order to ensure that the general discussion was fully effective and substantive.

(b) Proposals on the basic programme of work of the Council for 1990 and 1991

15. The Council will have before it the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 1990 and 1991 prepared by the Secretariat in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Council and of the General Assembly. The proposed basic programme of work will contain proposals on the issues to be addressed by the Council, including the selection of major policy themes, which are mentioned in section (a) above.

16. Pursuant to Council resolution 1988/77 on the revitalization of the Council, the President, prior to the organizational session, and with the co-operation of the other members of the Bureau, will arrange for consultations with members of the Council on the draft programme of work and provisional agenda prepared by the Secretary-General and on the allocation of agenda items and make proposals thereon for consideration by the Council.

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Documentation

Proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 1990 and 1991 (E/1990/1 and Add.1)

Proposals by the Bureau of the Council on the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 1990 and 1991

Draft six-year work programme on major policy themes in the economic and social sectors, including proposals for modalities for the in-depth discussions on major policy themes

Recommendations of the Council's task force on documentation

Item 4. Elections and appointments to subsidiary bodies of the Council and confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions

Elections

Commission on the Status of Women (E/1990/L.1)

17. By its resolution 1989/45, the Council decided that the membership of the Commission on the Status of Women should be increased from 32 to 45 and that the seats should be allocated on the basis of the principle of equitable geographical distribution set out in that resolution.

18. The Council decided that the enlargement of the Commission should take effect from the beginning of 1990 before the convening of the extended session of the Commission to review and appraise progress in the implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women. It further decided that the additional seats resulting from the increase in the membership of the Commission should be filled at the Council's organizational session for 1990.

19. The Council will also be called upon to hold elections, postponed from previous sessions, to the following bodies:

Population Commission

One member from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1993.

Committee on Natural Resources

(a) Three members from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1992;

(b) Five members from Asian States: two for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1990 and three for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1992;

(c) Seven members from Western European and other States: three for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1990 and four for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1992.

Commission on Transnational Corporations

(a) One member from African States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1991;

(b) Two members from Asian States: one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1991 and one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1992;

(c) One member from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1992.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

(a) Three members from African States: two for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1990 and one for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1991;

(b) Two members from Asian States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1990;

(c) One member from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1991;

(d) Two members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 1990.

Appointments

Committee for Development Planning (E/1990/11)

20. The Secretary-General will nominate, in accordance with Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1625 (LI), 24 experts for appointment in their personal capacity as members of the Committee for Development Planning for a three-year term expiring on 31 December 1992.

Confirmations

21. The Secretary-General will submit for confirmation by the Council the names of persons nominated to serve as representatives on the functional commissions of the Council since the organizational session for 1989 (see E/1990/3 and addenda).

Item 5. Provisional agenda for the first regular session of and related organizational matters

22. Rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the Council provides that the Secretary-General shall draw up at the organizational session the provisional agenda for the first regular session of the year. Accordingly, the provisional agenda for the first regular session of 1990 will be submitted for the Council's consideration as soon as the Council has approved the basic programme of work.

Annex I

MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL FOR 1990

	Term expires on 31 December
Algeria	1992
Bahamas	1991
Bahrain	1992
Brazil	1991
Bulgaria	1992
Burkina Faso	1992
Cameroon	1991
Canada	1992
China	1992
Colombia	1990
Cuba	1990
Czechoslovakia	1991
Ecuador	1992
Finland	1992
France	1990
German Democratic Republic	1992
Germany, Federal Republic of	1990
Ghana	1990
Greece	1990
Guinea	1990
India	1990
Indonesia	1991
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	1992
Iraq	1991
Ireland	1990
Italy	1991
Jamaica	1992
Japan	1990
Jordan	1991
Kenya	1991
Lesotho	1990
Liberia	1990
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	1990
Mexico	1992
Netherlands	1991
New Zealand	1991
Nicaragua	1991
Niger	1991
Pakistan	1992
Portugal	1990
Rwanda	1992
Saudi Arabia	1990

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	Term expires on 31 December
Sweden	1992
Thailand	1991
Trinidad and Tobago	1990
Tunisia	1991
Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic	1991
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	1992
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	1992
United States of America	1991
Venezuela	1990
Yugoslavia	1990
Zaire	1992
Zambia	1991

Annex II

DRAFT FORMAT FOR THE REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Foreword

Statement by the President of the Council and/or text of an agreed policy statement

Executive summary

A. Highlights of the general discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments

B. Highlights of the discussions of major policy themes

Chapter I

Matters calling for action by the General Assembly or brought to its attention, organized by agenda item:

(a) Summary of resolutions and decisions requiring action by the General Assembly

(b) List of resolutions and decisions brought to the attention of the General Assembly

(c) Cross-references would be made to the relevant sections of the report.

Chapter II

General discussion of international economic and social policy, including regional and sectoral developments

Summary of discussion

Documentation

List of resolutions and decisions a/

Chapter III

Major policy themes:

Summary of discussion

Documentation

List of resolutions and decisions a/

Chapter IV

Other agenda items considered by the Council:

Summary of discussion

Documentation

List of resolutions and decisions a/

Chapter V

Elections and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Council, confirmation of representatives on the functional commissions and nominations

Chapter VI

Organizational matters

Annexes

I. Agenda of the sessions of the Council

II. Composition of the Council and its subsidiary and related bodies

Notes

a/ Sponsorship of proposals, voting and statements of explanation of vote would be indicated.

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ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS TO SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE COUNCIL, AND CONFIRMATION OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS

Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has the honour to submit to the Council for confirmation, pursuant to rule 11 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the names of the representatives of the members of the functional commissions listed below which have been received since the close of the organizational session for 1989. Biographical data are available in the Office for Political and General Assembly Affairs and Secretariat Services, Division of Economic and Social Council Affairs and Secretariat Services, of the United Nations Secretariat.

Statistical Commission

NETHERLANDS	W. BEGEER
TOGO	Akakpo KOUDAYA
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS	Nikolai G. BELOV

Population Commission

MEXICO	Luz María VALDES
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS	Arkadiy A. ISUPOV

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Commission for Social Development

FINLAND	Vappu TAIPALE

Commission on Human Rights

BELGIUM	Marc J. BOSSUYT
BRAZIL	Marcos CASTRIOTO DE AZAMBUJA
CYPRUS	Vanias MARKIDES
FRANCE	Jacques LEPRETTE
GHANA	Kojo AMOO-GOTTFRIED
HUNGARY	Miklós ENDREFFY
IRAQ	Farouk S. ZEYADA
ITALY	Francesco MEZZALAMA
MADAGASCAR	Norbert RATSIRAHONANA
PAKISTAN	Dorab PATEL
PANAMA	Osvaldo VELASQUEZ
PHILIPPINES	Purificación Valera-QUISUMBING
YUGOSLAVIA	Zivojin JAZIC

Commission on the Status of Women

AUSTRALIA	Helen L'ORANGE
BURKINA FASO	Kadiatou KORSAGA
COLOMBIA	Sonia MARTINEZ de Durán
PAKISTAN	Nadir Khan KHAKWANI
PHILIPPINES	Patricia B. LICUANAN